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In re Application of Zambias et al. Application No. 09/009,846 Filed: 20 January, 1998 Attorney Docket No. 5925-061-999 : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a)¹ filed on 20 April, 2000.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.63(d), petitioner has submitted a copy of the executed oath or declaration filed in Application No. 08/375,838, filed on 10 January, 1995, of which the instant filing is a continuation application. Furthermore, petitioner has submitted a copy of the decision, mailed on 20 September, 1995, granting a petition to accord § 1.47 status to the prior application.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(a), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition, not the Declaration. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

(2) an acceptable oath or declaration in compliance with 35 U.S.C.

§§ 115 and 116;

(3) the petition fee; and

¹A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) requires:

⁽¹⁾ proof that the non-signing inventor cannot be reached or refuses to sign the oath or declaration after having been presented with the application papers (specification, claims and drawings);

⁽⁴⁾ a statement of the last known address of the non-signing inventor.

After this decision is mailed, the application will be forwarded to Technology Center 1600 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to Petitions Attorney Douglas I. Wood at 703-308-6918.

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